

**SCHOOL-CONNECTED ORGANIZATIONS**

The Governing Board recognizes that parents/guardians may wish to organize clubs for the purpose of supporting the educational program and/or extracurricular programs such as athletic teams, debate teams, and musical groups. The Board supports such activities and welcomes parental interest and participation. Parent/guardian clubs shall be especially careful not to seek advantages for the activities they support if those advantages might be detrimental to the entire school program.

The Board requires parent/guardian clubs to have a written statement of purpose and bylaws. The Board recognizes that these organizations are independent of the school or district. In order to protect the district and students, the Superintendent or designee shall establish appropriate controls for the relationship between such organizations and the district.

*(cf. 1321 - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)*  
*(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)*

Groups desiring to be recognized as school-connected organizations shall request authorization from the Board in accordance with conditions established in administrative regulations.

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

*35160 Authority of governing boards*

*38131 Use of civic center by public*

*38134 Groups which may use school facilities without charge*

*Management Resources:*

CDE LEGAL ADVISORIES

*1101.89 School District Liability and "Hold Harmless" Agreements, LO: 4-89*